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## FULTON SUFFERS ANOTHER ROBBERY

Saloon of J. B. Sweeney Entered Thursday Night.

## EVERYTHING WAS RANSACKED

The Return of Mr. William Martin. Small Fire Last Wednesday. Personal Items and News Notes.

The bar-room of J. B. Sweeney, in Fulton, was entered Thursday night between 11 o'clock and morning, and next morning when entered the room presented a generally dilapidated appearance. They made their entrance and departure through a 3x3 hole cut in the brick side-wall of the store next to a vacant house which has been untenanted for some time. It is supposed that there were several in the party, from the condition of the store upon Mr. Sweeney's arrival Friday morning. Mr. Sweeney said yesterday morning that he could not estimate the amount of his loss, but the following articles were missing: A suit of clothes, caddy of tobacco, several boxes of cigars and cigarettes, several runlets of whiskey and a small amount of change that he left in the cash register that night. The matter has been reported to the police. A heavy chisel was found near the entrance in the wall. This is the second of three times that the store of Mr. Sweeney has been broken into. Mr. William (Bee) Martin, a Fulton boy, who has been seeing five years' service in the navy of Uncle Sam, received his honorable discharge last week and reached Fulton, his old home, on Tuesday. Mr. Martin has gained wonderfully in weight during his service. He relates thrilling stories and adventures about his trips around the world. Mr. Martin has visited the principal ports of this continent. His coming was greeted with cheers from his old companions. Messrs. Myer Angle and Otis Throckmorton lost a very valuable hound dog one night last week, while hunting in White Oak Swamp. In cutting a tree, in which they had treed a coon, it fell heavily to the ground and a huge limb crashed the dog's back. It was a very fine covey. They had been offered as much as \$50 for the animal. The Children's Day exercises of Denny-Street M. E. Church will take place this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. This is the annual celebration of Children's Day, conducted by this school. A fine musical programme has been prepared under the direction of Professor S. A. King. All are invited to attend. HOUSE AFIRE. The hose wagon of Engine Company No. 8 responded to a still-alarm of fire Wednesday night at 9:28 o'clock, the occasion being an explosion of a kerosene lamp at the residence of Mr. Newton Lewis, No. 4110 Williamsburg Avenue. Upon the arrival of the firemen they found the bed-room in a blaze. The lamp was upon a small table near the bed when it exploded, and in-doing so set fire to the bed-clothing, carpet, etc. By heroic work on the part of Mr. Lewis, who was painfully burned, he succeeded in keeping the fire from spreading.

ing until the arrival of the firemen, who soon extinguished it. The house was owned by Mr. R. J. Cottrell, and the damages amounted to about \$50. Rev. J. T. Routen will fill the pulpit at Denny-Street M. E. Church on both occasions to-day. At 11 A. M. he will take for his subject "Did Peter Lose His Religion when He Denied Jesus?" At 8 P. M., in accordance with the announcement made last Sunday, the pastor will begin a series of sermons on "The Sacraments, as Understood by the Methodist Church." His subject will be "Baptism—Whom We Baptize and Why." Mr. Harvey J. Mays and family, of Blacksburg, S. C., are visiting friends and relatives in Fulton, their former home. Mr. Charles Larkin left last week for Baltimore, where he has secured a good position. The Fulton Hill Literary Club will meet at the residence of Mrs. Jake Alice next Friday night. Mr. Adner Nauman is visiting her mother, Mrs. John Carter, at her residence, on Nicholson Street. Mr. A. S. Hicks is sick at his residence, on Nicholson Street. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Williams, of 383 Nicholson Street, had the following friends and relatives of Petersburg on a visit to them during the week: Mr. and Mrs. James M. Murray and family, Mr. James Miles and family, Miss Eugene Pett, Messrs. Tony Mackey, George Gee and William Hawkins. Mr. John Roach, of West Point, returned home last week to visit the Carnival. Mr. Charles N. Clarke is visiting friends in Lower Henrico. Mrs. Spangler and daughter, Mrs. Oliver, of Carlisle, Pa., are visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. A. King, of State Street. Mr. Otto Markham is quite sick at his residence, on Louisa Street. Mr. Walter Woodson, of Goochland county, paid a visit to Mrs. Fred Merritt due this week, while in attendance to the Carnival. ENJOYABLE AFFAIR. Mr. James O'Connor, of West Point, accompanied by several friends, spent a very pleasant evening Friday at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Margaret Gogan. Music was indulged for several hours, when an elegant collation was served. Mrs. J. H. Halstead, of Norfolk, is visiting Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Routen, at the Methodist parsonage, No. 43 Denny Street. Miss Katie Crawley, of Boston, Mass., sister of Mrs. James Neagle, of Nicholson Street, arrived in this city last week and will reside here for the present. Miss Lizzy Daugherty has returned home after visiting friends and relatives in Portsmouth. Mrs. L. M. Lilliston and children, of Suffolk, are visiting Capt. E. T. Rice, on Denny Street. Miss Kate Ellar, of Portsmouth, was a guest during the Carnival to Miss Mamie Gogan, of Louisa Street. Mrs. Annie (Kaufelt) Smith, of Durham, N. C., is on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Mary Kaufelt, of Denny Street. Miss Ethel Cobb and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Miss Wallace and Mr. Arns, of Norfolk, are visiting Mrs. B. F. Ide, on Denny Street. The residence of Mr. William Reiford, of Holland Street, in Farrandville, was the scene of a quiet and pretty marriage last Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock, when his attractive daughter, Miss Maggie M., became the wife of Mr. Arthur L. Bishop. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. T. Routen, pastor of Denny-Street M. E. Church. Mr. Bishop is an employee of the Richmond Cedar Works. Rev. J. W. Kinchloe will occupy the pulpit of Fulton Baptist Church at both services to-day. The Builders' League of Denny Street M. E. Church will meet at the parsonage, No. 43 Denny Street, on next Wednesday, at 3 P. M. The Ladies' Auxiliary Society will meet at the residence of Mrs. T. H. Welmer on Monday at 3 P. M.

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## THE LUTHERAN SYNOD.

Commencement Exercises at Salem Female College.

## WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., May 19.—

Special.—The Southern Lutheran Synod will adjourn Monday afternoon; much important business is to be transacted. Today the report of the Committee on Communion Service was submitted to the Synod by Rev. A. G. Voligt, of Wilmington, who represents this body, and is working with representatives of general synods of the North for the adoption of a common hymnbook to be used by all Lutherans in America. The report was adopted. It was decided to hold a memorial service to-morrow afternoon in honor of the former vice-president, Rev. H. S. Vinard, of Georgia, who died since the last meeting of the Synod. The ninety-eighth annual commencement of Salem Female College opened to-night with a grand concert by the musical and education departments. Visitors are here from Texas and a number of other Southern States. The programme to-night was one of the best yet given by the pupils of this old institution. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached to-morrow by Rev. Paul De Schweinitz, of Bethlehem, Pa., son of the principal of the old Moravian College here during the civil war. Mr. Benson Denies. Director-General G. D. Benson, of the Carnival Association, was sued in the Law and Equity Court Friday evening by H. A. McKay, doing business as the Great Southern Carnival and Midway Company, of Norfolk. Mr. McKay sues for \$2,000. He alleges that Mr. Benson contracted to work for him, and failing to do so, he claims the damages mentioned. Mr. Benson denies that any contract existed between himself and McKay. Sporting Notes. Two of Danville's crack whist players came over to try their wits with Col. John Murphy and Luke Harvey, of the Richmond Chess and Whist Club. The play was twenty boards, but the Richmonders won by a score of 20 to 5. The closing events of the golf tournament, to have been played yesterday afternoon at Lakeside, were postponed on account of rain until next Saturday afternoon. Her Adopted Children. In announcing the death of Mrs. Nanie Wren Hill no mention was made of the adopted children whom she loved so devotedly and cared for so tenderly. The four left to feel most deeply their heavy loss are Mrs. James B. Patton, Mrs. A. M. Rucker, Miss Alberta Williams and Mr. Albert G. Williams, all of this city.

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PANY.			Par Value.	Market Value.
United States 4 per cent registered bonds, due 1907	\$375,000 00		\$375,000 00	\$427,500 00
Chicago and Northwestern Railway Co. 3 1/2 per cent gold bonds, due 1907	92,000 00		92,000 00	97,520 00
New York Central and Hudson River R. R. Co. 4 per cent debenture certificates, due 1905	25,000 00		25,000 00	25,250 00
Allegheny Valley Railway Co. general mortgage 4 per cent gold bonds, due 1912	20,000 00		20,000 00	21,200 00
Total par and market value (carried out at market value)	\$512,000 00	\$571,470 00	\$571,470 00	\$571,470 00
Cash in the company's principal office		44 54		
Cash belonging to the company deposited in National City Bank		15,381 01		15,425 55
Gross premiums (as written in the policies) in course of collection, not due				73,920 34
All other property belonging to the company—viz: Due from other companies for reinsurance on losses already paid—Washington Standard Marine, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company of North America, Merchants and Traders				4,904 82
Amount of premiums unpaid on policies which have been issued more than three months		\$3,923 47		
LIABILITIES				
Gross claims for adjusted and unpaid losses due and to become due		\$ 191 47		
Gross losses in process of adjustment or in suspense, including all reported and supposed losses		\$4,715 00		
Losses retained, including interest, costs and other expenses thereon		16,156 00		
Total gross amount of claims for losses		\$101,082 47		
Deduct reinsurance thereon		9,453 00		
Net amount of unpaid losses		\$91,629 47		
Total unearned premiums as computed above		28,963 67		
All other demands against the company, absolute and contingent, due and to become due, admitted and contested—viz: Commissions, brokerage and other charges due and to become due to agents and brokers, on premiums paid and in course of collection, \$7,574.03; reinsurance, \$11,726.15		19,109 18		
Total amount of all liabilities, except capital stock and net surplus		\$139,702 32		
Surplus beyond capital and all other liabilities		\$20,082 04		
Aggregate amount of all liabilities, including paid-up capital stock and net surplus		\$729,489 36		
RECEIPTS DURING THE YEAR.			Marine and Inland.	
Gross premiums and bills unpaid at close of last year		\$139,754 47		
Deduct amount of same not collected		3425 47		
Net collected		\$147,799 55		
Gross premiums on risks written and renewed during year		564,769 35		
Total		\$712,470 70		
Deduct gross premiums and bills in course of collection at this date		137,608 40		
Entire premiums collected during the year		\$574,862 30		
Deduct reinsurance, rebate, abatement and return premiums		163,891 31		
Net cash actually received for premiums		\$410,970 99		
Received for interest and dividends on stocks and bonds, collateral loans, and from all other sources		15,000 00		
Aggregate amount of receipts actually received during the year in cash		\$425,970 99		
DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE YEAR.			Marine and Inland.	
Gross amount actually paid for losses (including losses occurring in previous years)		\$98,417 58		
Deduct all amounts actually received for salvage (whether on losses of the last or of previous years), \$41,331.63 and all amounts actually received for reinsurance in other companies, \$18,230.16. Total deduction		239,617 79		
Net amount paid during the year for losses		\$229,331 34		
Paid for commission or brokerage		49,907 22		
Paid for salaries, fees and all other charges of officers, clerks, agents and all other employees		24,008 77		
Paid for State and local taxes in this and other States		11,254 38		
All other payments and expenditures: Stationery, legal expenses, etc. Sent home office in Liverpool, Eng.		\$105,933 60		
Aggregate amount of actual disbursements during the year, in cash		\$329,282 45		
BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA DURING THE YEAR.			Marine and Inland.	
Risks written		\$ 704,747 00		
Premiums received (gross)		1,792 31		
Losses paid		240 32		
				H. K. FOWLER, Manager and Principal Agent in U. S.
				Seal.
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